



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
LAURENT FROUIN ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/778,827)
Filed: February 8, 2001)
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR)
COMMUNICATING BETWEEN A)
FIRST AND A SECOND NETWORK)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and supplemental to the Preliminary
Amendment filed on February 8, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as
follows: